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For : LABEL TO WHICH A PRODUCT CODE IS RECORDED, A
PRODUCT WITH THE LABEL ATTACHED, A PRODUCT
INFORMATION ACQUISITION APPARATUS AND A PRODUCT
CODE EDITING APPARATUS

**RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT WITH TRAVERSE
AND CLAIM AMENDMENT**

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Sir :

In response to the outstanding Official Action of May 20, 2008, in which a one-month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on June 20, 2008, Applicant respectfully elects Group 1, to which previously pending claims 1- 9, 18 -22, 26 and 27 were directed, with traverse for reasons as will be set forth hereinbelow. Additionally, by the present response, Applicant has canceled all of previously pending claims 1-29 and has submitted new claims 30-41 for consideration. Consistent with the above noted election of species requirement, Applicant respectfully submits that claims 30-33 and 36-39 are either generic or read on the elected species. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests an action on the merits of the claims and an indication of the allowability thereof, in due course.

A substitute title is contained on page 3 of this paper

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